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In re Application of: Muthunadar P. Periasamy, *et al.*

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

SIR:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed March 31, 2010, restriction is required between the following groups of claims:

- Group I: Claims 1-20, said to be drawn to an injectable radiological composition for x-ray visualization during radiological examinations;
- Group II: Claims 21-22, said to be drawn to a composition (of claim 1) further comprising a contrast agent other than the monomer and dimer; and,
- Group III: Claims 23-26, said to be drawn to a method of diagnostic imaging, comprising administering to an individual a composition (of claim 1 or claim 22) comprising a mixture of at least one monomer and at least one dimer, and carrying out an imaging procedure.

In order to ensure Applicants are fully responsive, Applicants hereby elect (with traverse, as further detailed below) the claims of Group I (*i.e.*, claims 1-20) for initial examination. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the subject matter of the non-elected groups of claims at a later date.